

**INITIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT FAX SHEET OF RECEIPT OF DEFECT INFORMATION
REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 99V-156 by the
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

JUN 29 1999

Part 573 Report Date: **June 22, 1999**

Manufacturer: **Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.**

Manufacturer Contact: **Mr. Robert E. Wozniak, Director of Engineering Services**

FAX: **(909) 351-3604**

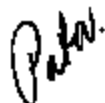
SUBJECT: 417 Fleetwood 1998 Flair motor homes manufactured between July 9, 1997 and July 22, 1998. The bolts holding the trailer hitch to the motor home frame are the incorrect length. These bolts can loosen resulting in separation of the trailer hitch from the motor home. Fleetwood Recall No. 90611.

This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

We have reviewed your draft dealer/owner notification letters and they meet the requirements of Part 577.

As stated in Part 573.6, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin July 14, 1999. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by October 30, 1999.

If you have any questions, please call:

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Dear Mr. Wozniak:

We have reviewed Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.'s (Fleetwood) Defect Information Report dated June 22, 1999, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports." This recall involves 417 Fleetwood 1998 Flair motor homes manufactured between July 9, 1997 and July 22, 1998. The bolts holding the trailer hitch to the motor home frame are the incorrect length. These bolts can loosen resulting in separation of the trailer hitch from the motor home. The assigned identification number for this recall is 99V-156 (Fleetwood Recall No. 90611).

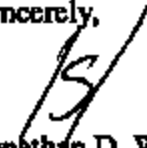
Fleetwood is responsible for the remedy of these vehicles from this date forward, regardless of vehicle age, mileage, or ownership.

Quarterly Status Reports

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If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Wallace at (202) 366-5232 or fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,


Jonathan D. White, Chief
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Safety Assurance